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WELDING INSPECTION REPORT

Resident Engineer: Pursell, Gary **Report No:** WIR-014176 Address: 333 Burma Road **Date Inspected:** 20-May-2010

City: Oakland, CA 94607

OSM Arrival Time: 1100 **Project Name:** SAS Superstructure **OSM Departure Time:** 1930 **Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV Contractor: American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV **Location:** Job Site

CWI Name: See Below **CWI Present:** Yes No **Inspected CWI report:** Yes N/A **Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No No N/A N/A Weld Procedures Followed: **Electrode to specification:** Yes No Yes No N/A N/A **Qualified Welders:** Yes No **Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A N/A Yes N/A **Approved Drawings:** Yes No **Approved WPS:** No **Delayed / Cancelled:** Yes No N/A

34-0006 **Bridge No: Component:** Orthotropic Box Girders

Summary of Items Observed:

At the start of the shift the Quality Assurance Inspector (QAI) traveled to the project site and observed the following work performed by American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises (AB/F) personnel at the locations noted below:

- A). Field Splice W2/W3
- B). Field Splice E3/E4
- C). Field Splice E4/E5

A) Field Splice W2/W3

The QAI observed the automatic Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW-G) of the weld joint identified as Weld Number (WN) 2W-3W-C. The welding was performed by welding personnel Song Tao Huang, ID-3794 utilizing the WPS ABF-D15-3042A-1 Rev. 0. The joint designation appeared to comply with AWS single-v-groove butt joint identified as B-U2a-G. The WPS was also used by the QC inspector Bonifacio Daquinag, Jr. as a reference to monitor and verify the Direct Current Electrode Positive (DCEP) welding parameters which noted and recorded by the QAI as follows: 253 amps, 24.0 volts and a travel speed measured as 300mm per minute. The welding was performed in vertical position (3G) at approximate incline of 22 degrees. The CJP welding was performed on the face "A" of the side plate field splice. The QAI inspector also verified the minimum preheat temperature of 100 degrees Celsius and the maximum interpass temperature of 230 degrees Celsius. Later during the shift the QAI observed, at random intervals, the QC inspector monitoring the in process welding, the surface temperatures and verifying the DCEP welding parameters. In regards to maintaining the minimum preheat temperature of 65 degrees Celsius, utilizing electric resistance heating bands, the Contractor, ABF, has elected to maintain the

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preheat continuously through out the welding operation to comply with the requirements of Field Welding, Item C on page 334 of the Special Provisions.

B) Field Splice E3/E4

The QAI observed the Ultrasonic Testing (UT) of the repairs of the side plate field splice identified as WN: 3E-4E-C. The testing was performed by the QC technician Steve McConnell utilizing a Krautkramer USM 35X. Mr. McConnell also utilized the UT Procedure identified as SE-UT-D1.5-CT-100 Rev.4 during the examination of the CJP. The QC technician performed the required longitudinal wave utilizing a 1" diameter transducer for base metal soundness and a .75 x .75 rectangular transducer to perform the shear wave testing during the testing for weld soundness.

C) Field Splice E4/E

The QAI also observed the Ultrasonic Testing (UT) of the repairs of the deck plate field splice identified as WN: 4E-5E-A. The testing was performed by the QC technician Tom Pasqualone utilizing a Krautkramer USM 35X. The testing was performed utilizing the UT Procedure identified as SE-UT-D1.5-CT-100 Rev.4 during the examination of the CJP. The QC technician performed the required longitudinal wave utilizing a 1" diameter transducer for base metal soundness and a .75 x .75 rectangular transducer to perform the shear wave testing during the testing for weld soundness.

QA Observation and Verification Summary

The QA inspector observed the QC activities and the welding of the field splices utilizing the WPS as noted above, which appeared to be posted at the weld station. The welding parameters and surface temperatures were verified by the QC inspector's and utilizing a Fluke 337 clamp meter for the electrical welding parameters and a Fluke 63 IR Thermometer for verifying the preheat and interpass temperatures. The ESAB consumables utilized for the FCAW-G process appeared to comply with the AWS Specification and AWS Classification. The QC inspection, testing and welding performed on this shift was not completed appeared to be in general compliance with the contract documents. At random intervals, the QAI verified the QC inspection, testing, welding parameters and the surface temperatures utilizing various inspection equipment and gages which included a Fluke 337 Clamp Meter and Tempilstik Temperature indicators.

The digital photographs, on page 3 of this report, illustrate the work observed during this scheduled shift.

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Summary of Conversations:

In converstion with Mr. Callahan regarding the replacing of the galvanized H.S.B., that were relieved of their tension values in order to attempt the correcting the misalignment at the deck plate field splice, Mr. Callahan informed the QAI to speak with Mr. Paul Jefferson in regards to this issue.

Comments

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Mohammad Fatemi (916) 813-3677, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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